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U.S.-CANADIAN WILDLIFE SERVICES ISSUE JOINT WATERFOWL REPORT

The status of North America's waterfowl populations on the breeding grounds this summer is summarized in Special Scientific Report No. 60, <u>Waterfowl Populations</u> and Breeding Conditions — Summer 1948 (with Notes on Woodcock Studies), issued today by the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Second of an annual series, the publication is a compilation of reports on this year's waterfowl and woodcock breeding ground conditions, made by the Fish and Wildlife Service, Canada's Dominion Wildlife Service, and wildlife agencies of many state and provincial governments. The National Wildlife Federation assisted in compiling the reports.

According to the joint report, breeding ground investigations indicate that North America's breeding waterfowl populations have increased over last year.

The Fish and Wildlife Service and the Dominion Wildlife Service, who are primarily responsible for the management of the continent's migratory birds, hope that their joint report will stimulate other states and provinces to conduct cooperative breeding ground studies.

Included in the compilation are reports of personnel from the University of British Columbia, the Wildlife Management Institute's Northeastern Wildlife Station, and the conservation agencies of Alberta, Manitoba, Utah, New York, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Nebraska — in addition to reports from Fish and Wildlife Service and Dominion Wildlife Service personnel.

A limited supply of the new publication is available. Conservation agencies, sportsmen's clubs, ornithologists, and waterfowl technicians can obtain copies from the Division of Information, Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington 25, D. C.

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